

# CSE 392/CS 395T/M 397C: Matrix and Tensor Algorithms for Data

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## Supplement: Spectral sums

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# Spectral Sums

Given a symmetric positive semidefinite (PSD) matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$  with eigen-decomposition  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{U}^T$  and eigenvalues  $\{\lambda_i\}_{i=1}^d$ , and desired function  $f(\cdot)$ , compute the *trace of the matrix function*  $f(\mathbf{A}) = \mathbf{U}f(\mathbf{\Lambda})\mathbf{U}^T$ , i.e.,

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- *Applications:* machine learning, graph signal processing, quantum algorithms, scientific computing, statistics, computational biology and physics.
- *Naive approaches :* Eigenvalue decomposition, Cholesky Decomposition, singular value decomposition (SVD).  
Cost:  $O(d^3)$  or [Theory:  $O(d^\omega)$  and  $\omega = 2.373$ ].

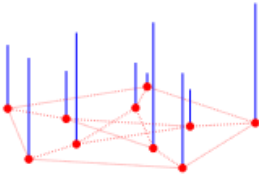
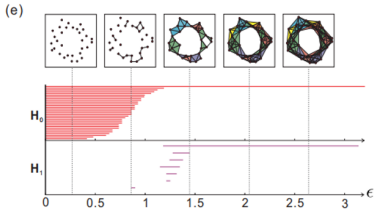
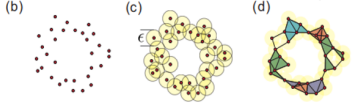
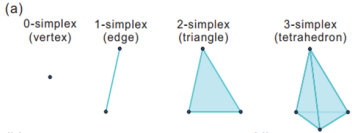
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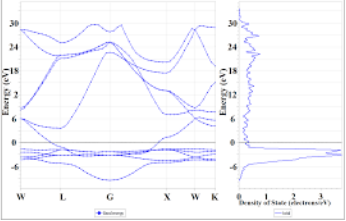
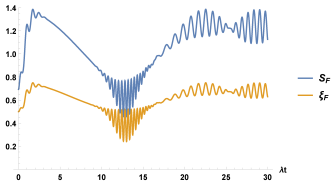
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- Approximate the function using two approaches:
  - ① Chebyshev polynomial approximation
  - ② Lanczos quadrature method

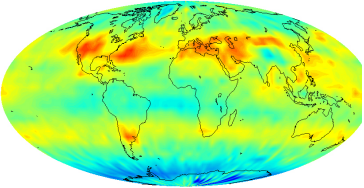
# Spectral Sums Applications



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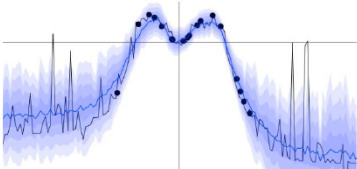


(c) Density of States



# Matrix Functions in Machine Learning

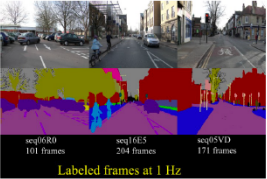
Matrix functions have been utilized in many machine learning problems:



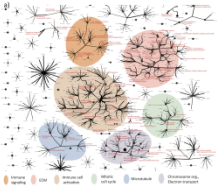
(a) Regression with Gaussian process

	php	Spark	Microsoft .NET	Python
Person 1	4.5	4.0	?	4.5
Person 2	?	1.0	4.0	2.0
Person 3	4.5	?	2.0	5.0

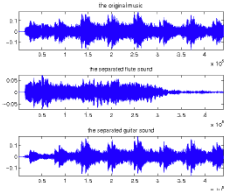
(b) Collaborative filtering for recommendation



(c) Image processing



(d) Gene expression



(e) Speech recognition

**Can we estimate  $\text{Tr}(f(A))$  faster than matrix multiplication cost?**

Discuss *fast scalable* methods with *theoretical guarantees* and perform *well in practice*.

Combine randomization with approximation theory!



# Stochastic Chebyshev Method

# Chebyshev polynomial approximation

Given a function  $f : [-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , a  $q$  degree **Chebyshev polynomial** approximation is given by:

$$f(x) \approx p_q(x) = \sum_{j=0}^q c_j T_j(x),$$

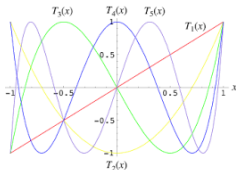
where  $T_j(x)$  is the  $j$ th degree Chebyshev polynomial with  $T_0(x) = 1, T_1(x) = x,$

$$T_{j+1}(x) = 2xT_j(x) - T_{j-1}(x),$$

and the (interpolation) coefficients,

$$c_j = \frac{2 - \delta_{j0}}{\pi} \int_{-1}^1 \frac{f(x)T_j(x)}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx \quad \text{or} \quad c_j = \frac{2 - \delta_{j0}}{q+1} \sum_{k=0}^q f(x_k)T_j(x_k),$$

with Chebyshev nodes  $x_k = \cos\left(\frac{\pi(k+1)/2}{q+1}\right)$ .



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The **spectral sums** can be estimated as:

$$\text{Tr}(f(\mathbf{A})) \approx \frac{1}{m} \sum_{l=1}^m \left[ \sum_{j=0}^q \tilde{c}_j (v_l)^T \mathbf{w}_l^{(j)} \right]. \quad (1)$$

- **Computational cost:**  $O(\text{nnz}(\mathbf{A})mq)$ .
- *Kernel Polynomial Method* - estimating spectral density [Lin et al., 2016], Eigencount [Di Napoli et al., 2016], Numerical rank [Ubaru and Saad, 2016, Ubaru et al., 2017].
- *Theoretical analysis* for analytic functions and applications [Han et al., 2017].

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- The **Lanczos Quadrature** method by *Gene Golub* and his collaborators in a series of articles.
- Scalar (quadratic form) quantities  $\mathbf{x}_l^\top f(\mathbf{A})\mathbf{x}_l$  as *Riemann-Stieltjes integral* problem, and employing *Gauss quadrature rule* to approximate this integral.
- With eigen-decomposition of  $A$  as  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U}\Lambda\mathbf{U}^\top$ .

$$\mathbf{x}_l^\top f(\mathbf{A})\mathbf{x}_l = \mathbf{x}_l^\top \mathbf{U} f(\Lambda) \mathbf{U}^\top \mathbf{x}_l = \sum_{i=1}^d f(\lambda_i) \mu_i^2 = \int_a^b f(t) d\mu(t),$$

$\mu_i$  are components of  $\mathbf{U}^\top \mathbf{x}_l$  and the measure  $\mu(t)$  is a piecewise constant function

$$\mu(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } t < a = \lambda_1, \\ \sum_{j=1}^i \mu_j^2, & \text{if } \lambda_i \leq t < \lambda_{i+1}, \\ \sum_{j=1}^d \mu_j^2, & \text{if } b = \lambda_n \leq t. \end{cases}$$

- Use Gauss quadrature rule:

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- For  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$  and  $\mathbf{x}_l : \|\mathbf{x}_l\| = 1$ , Lanczos algorithm forms  $\mathbf{Z}_q^{(l)}$  orthonormal basis for *Krylov subspace*:  $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{x}_l, \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}_l, \dots, \mathbf{A}^q \mathbf{x}_l\}$ ,  
and tridiagonal matrix  $\mathbf{T}_q^{(l)} = \mathbf{Z}_q^{(l)\top} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{Z}_q^{(l)}$ .

- The columns  $\mathbf{z}_j$  of  $\mathbf{Z}_q^{(l)}$  are related as

$$\mathbf{z}_j = p_j(\mathbf{A})\mathbf{x}_0, \quad j = 1, \dots, q,$$

where  $p_j(\cdot)$  are the Lanczos polynomials.

- These polynomials are orthogonal wrt. the measure  $\mu(t)$ ; see Thm 4.2 in [Meurant, Golub, 2009].



# Stochastic Lanczos Quadrature

- We approximate,

$$\mathbf{x}_l^\top f(\mathbf{A}) \mathbf{x}_l \approx \sum_{k=0}^q (\tau_k^{(l)})^2 f(\theta_k^{(l)}) \quad \text{with} \quad (\tau_k^{(l)})^2 = \left[ e_1^\top \mathbf{y}_k^{(l)} \right]^2,$$

$(\theta_k^{(l)}, \mathbf{y}_k^{(l)})$ ,  $k = 0, 1, \dots, q$  are eigenpairs of  $\mathbf{T}_q^{(l)}$  corresponding to initial vectors  $\mathbf{x}_l$ ,  $l = 1, \dots, m$ .

- Matrix function trace estimation as,

$$\text{Tr}(f(\mathbf{A})) \approx \frac{n}{m} \sum_{l=1}^m \left( \sum_{k=0}^q (\tau_k^{(l)})^2 f(\theta_k^{(l)}) \right). \quad (2)$$

- **Computational Cost:**  $O(\text{nnz}(\mathbf{A})mq)$ .

## Theorem

Given a PSD matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$  with its eigenvalues in  $[\lambda_{\min}, \lambda_{\max}]$  and condition number  $\kappa = \frac{\lambda_{\max}}{\lambda_{\min}}$ , a function  $f$  that is analytic inside this interval, and constants  $\epsilon, \eta \in (0, 1)$ , for SLQ parameters:

- $q \geq \frac{\sqrt{\kappa}}{4} \log \frac{K}{\epsilon}$  number of Lanczos steps, and
- $m \geq \frac{24}{\epsilon^2} \log(2/\eta)$  number of starting vectors,

where  $K = \frac{3\lambda_{\max}\sqrt{\kappa}M_\rho}{2m_\rho}$  with  $M_\rho$  and  $m_\rho$  being the absolute maximum and minimum of the function in the interval,

$$\Pr \left[ |\text{Tr}(f(\mathbf{A})) - \Gamma| \leq \epsilon |\text{Tr}(f(\mathbf{A}))| \right] \geq 1 - \eta, \quad (3)$$

where  $\Gamma$  is the output of the Stochastic Lanczos Quadrature method.

*S. Ubaru, Jie Chen, and Yousef Saad. SIAM Journal on Matrix Analysis and Applications, 38(4), 1075–1099, 2017.*

## Further Reading:

- *Applications of trace estimation techniques* by S. Ubaru and Y. Saad.
- *Approximating spectral sums of large-scale matrices using stochastic Chebyshev approximations* by s Insu Han, Dmitry Malioutov, Haim Avron, Jinwoo Shin.
- *Fast Estimation of  $\text{Tr}(f(A))$  via Stochastic Lanczos Quadrature*, by S. Ubaru, Jie Chen, and Yousef Saad.